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SUBJECT: CIVIL BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING - 1978 BUDGET

1. AT RECENT MEETING OF THE CIVIL BUDGET COMMITTEE, A REVIEW WAS MADE OF THE PRELIMINARY 1978 CIVIL BUDGET (BC-D(77)8). AFTER ADJUSTING PERSONNEL COSTS, THE BUDGET IS ALMOST 15 HIGHER THAN THE ESTIMATED 1977 BUDGET. THE CONSENSUS WAS THAT AN INCREASE OVER THE 1977 BUDGET OF AROUND 10 WOULD BE CONSIDERED.

2. THE BELGIAN REP INDICATED HE WAS TYING CONSIDERATION OF A 9 INCREASE IN THE SCIENCE PROGRAM, CHAPTER VII, TO THE SOLUTION OF THE VON KARMAN INSTITUTE (VKI) FINANCIAL PROBLEMS. THE UNITED KINGDOM HAD ANNOUNCED ITS WITHDRAWAL FROM THE VKI BEGINNING WITH ACADEMIC YEAR 1978/79, WHILE ITALY HAS REDUCED ITS CONTRIBUTION BEGINNING WITH ACADEMIC YEAR 1977/78.

3. WITH THE ADJUSTMENT FOR PERSONNEL COSTS, THE PRELIMINARY 1978 ESTIMATES ARE:

ESTIMATED BUDGET	BF 2,103,835,900
LESS CHAPTER IX	36,500,000

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LESS REIMBURSEMENTS/RECEIPTS	143,000,000
LESS CREDITS	25,500,000
SUBTOTAL	BF 1,898,835,900
US PERCENTAGE SHARE	24.20
US SHARE	BF 458,518,288
EXCHANGE RATE BF 39.50 TO US\$1	
US DOLLAR EQUIVALENT	\$11,633,374

4. THE LATEST EXCHANGE RATE IS BF 36.04 TO US\$1.

5. THE JOINT CIVIL AND MILITARY BUDGET COMMITTEES MET TO
DISCUSS THE EFFECTS OF THE NEW PENSION SCHEME ON THEIR
BUDGETS. A REPORT OF THESE MEETINGS WILL FOLLOW.
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